MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*)

Year.	*Grant.*	*Expenditure.*
	Rs.	Rs.
1101	300	246
1102	300	223
1103	300	99

(*b*) In 1101, a big breach in the bund of the *todu* below Martandankulam was closed and other connected works were carried out.

In 1102, the banks were strengthened and the *todu* widened in narrow places.

In 1103, narrow places were widened wherever required and the jungle cleared.

(*c*) Yes.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : With regard to the answer to part (*c*) of the question, may I know whether the answer "yes" is based on any report ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes, on the Chief Engineer's report.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*): May I know the date of the report ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : 18-1-1929.

Remission of Kudipathi.

287. MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : Are the Government aware that there is wide-spread discontent at present among the ryots of Neyyattinkara on account of their liability to pay half the cost of the works for the improvement of irrigation in the Neyyattinkara taluk ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : The answer is in the negative.

Contracts for Minor Irrigation Works.

288. MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara*) : In regard to contracts for minor irrigation works, will the Government be pleased to state whether they have considered the desirability of giving these contracts to the local co-operative societies, as far as possible, wherever such societies are prepared to undertake these works ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes, so long as they conform to the rules obtaining in the Department. Some contracts have been given accordingly.

Registration Department.

289. MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether the revision of pay of the clerical staff in the Department of Registration has been effected, and, if so, when ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : A scheme of revision is under preparation.

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